



January 2026 Newsletter

Welcome

We would like to **welcome** all our children and families back after the Christmas holidays. We hope you had a lovely time off. We have been **busy settling** all our new **children and families in** since we returned in January. It's been lovely getting to know you all.

Staffing

We would like to **welcome our new admin Laura Pachocki**. Laura has taken over from Irene who retired at the end of December. Laura is hoping to get to know you all over the next few months.

Registration for early Years for session 2026- 2027

Registration for all **Early Years establishments** will open on **4th February**. It will be open until the **1st March 2026**. This is for any child who will be three by the end of **February 2027**, please encourage them to register online on the North Ayrshire Council website.

At the **end of February** we will issue a form to all **returning children** to enquire if there are any requests for a change in pattern for the **new academic session in August 2026**.

Session Times

From August 2025 the **session times for children who access a 2.5 day pattern changed**. This was to ensure they all receive their full entitlement which is affected by public holidays/ in service days each year. **Please see session times for the patterns below.**

Session	Session times
Mornings (AM)	8am - 12.45pm The door will be open from 12.30pm for pick up
Afternoons (PM)	1.15pm - 6pm The door will be opened at 1.15pm for arrival
(2.5) Monday & Tuesday full day Wed x AM	Monday 8am -5.45pm Tuesday 8am - 5.45pm Wednesday 8am -12.45pm
(2.5) Wed x PM Thursday & Friday Full day	Wednesday 1.15pm -5.30pm Thursday 8am -5.30pm Friday 8am - 5.30pm

Can we ask that **AM parents arrive by 12.40pm** and **PM parents by 5.55pm**. Our staffs working hours are between **8am - 6pm**.



Parent/carer Workshops



We have a **literacy workshop** planned for parents with lots of **top tips and ideas** to help support your child's literacy development. This will be held in the parent's room on **Wednesday 4th February** at **9.30am** for AM parents and **1.30pm** for PM parents.

We also have a **numeracy workshop** planned for **Thursday 19th February** at 9.30am for AM parents and 1.30pm for PM parents.

We will post information on Seesaw nearer the time for anyone who is interested in attending any of these.

Seesaw

As you know we **use this app to communicate with families and share pictures and videos** of your child participating in a wide range of learning experiences while at the centre. If you need a copy of the QR code and instructions to access this, please ask at the office for another copy.

Please note the app and QR code cannot be shared with others or added onto any social media accounts as **permission is given only** for parental/ guardian access.



Exclusions for sickness

To ensure we continue to minimise **the risk of infection**, we have a **48 hour exclusion policy** for any child who has **diarrhoea or sickness**. The 48 hours should be from the last period of **sickness/diarrhoea**. This is to help minimise the spread of infection and ensure that the children and staff are well



Keeping In touch

Just a reminder if your child is going to be **absent** from the centre for any reason can we kindly ask that you contact the **centre on that day as early as you can**. The campus telephone number is 01475 **687 687**. The centre is currently option 4.

If any child is **absent** and the centre has not been informed the **keyworker will contact** you at some point throughout the day.

Holidays & Closures



Please note the centre will be closed to all children on the following dates:

Friday 6th February & Monday 9th February - Local Holidays

Tuesday 10th February - Staff In Service day

Thank You

We are delighted to say we raised **£1100** from our **Christmas concert, raffle and the sale of our enterprise**. This is the only fundraiser we do each year which helps **support a wide range** of activities throughout the year.